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Sent: 3/10/2014 3:20:08 PM
To: Hopkins, Tracy [Hopkins.Tracy@epa.gov]
CC: Lausch, Robert [Lausch.Robert@epa.gov]; Jeng, Richard [Jeng.Richard@epa.gov]; Ammon, Doug [Ammon.Doug@epa.gov]; Cooper, DavidE [Cooper.DavidE@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Butte Cleanup, another opinion piece in the Montana Standard
Attachments: ButteSilverBowPublicHealthStudy&EJ20140306_JohnRayResponseDRAFT.DOCX; FINAL PRESS RELEASE Draft Final Superfund Health Study Report_022614.pdf; John Ray Letter 10-04-2012.pdf; Guest Editorial Submission--Superfund Problems in Butte.docx; MontanaPoleJohnRayOpinion20130507_MontanaStandard.pdf; ButtePublicHealthStudy20121105_JohnRayOpinionMontanaStandard.pdf

Hi, Tracy:

Thank you for forwarding the link to Dr. John Ray's editorial in the Montana Standard newspaper last Friday. Below are email messages regarding recent activity to respond to recent issues and concerns raised by John Ray about the cleanup process in Butte. Our draft response (attached) to Dr. Ray about the public health study and environmental justice issues is currently being reviewed by the Region 8 Environmental Justice and Community Involvement programs. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you need additional information.

Thank you,

Joe

From: Greene, Nikia
Sent: Thursday, March 06, 2014 1:42 PM
To: Faulk, Libby; Belille, Jean; Mylott, Richard; Darling, Corbin; Wells, Suzanne
Cc: Vranka, Joe; Elsen, Henry; Sparks, Sara; DalSoglio, Julie
Subject: Draft Response to John Ray (emails: Feb. 17 and March 2)

Confidential:

All,

I have attached a draft response to Dr. Ray for your review along with the attachments referenced in the draft response. Please let me know if you have any concerns before sending this to Dr. Ray. Also, I am not sure if I have copied everyone that should be part of this review, please forward if I have missed someone.

Thank you, Nikia

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From: Vranka, Joe
Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2014 2:46 PM
To: DalSoglio, Julie

Cc: Elsen, Henry; Mylott, Richard; Cantor, Howard; McGrath, Shaun; Card, Joan; Smith, Paula; Sparks, Sara; Greene, Nikia
Subject: Montana Standard Guest Column: Superfund in Butte, Montana

Attached is an letter from John Ray to the editor of the Montana Standard (Butte, Montana) that will be published in the next day or two. The Montana Standard asked if EPA wanted to respond (below), to which Nikia politely declined.

The second and third attachments are guest editorials by Dr. John Ray that ran in 2013 and 2012 in the Montana Standard with similar opinions expressed. We are working to get the response to Dr. Ray's recent email messages (Feb. 17 and Mar. 2, 2014) out in the next couple of days.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if you require additional information.

Thank you,

Joe

From: Greene, Nikia
Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2014 2:11 PM
To: Vranka, Joe; Sparks, Sara
Subject: FW: guest column

FYI

From: Matt Christensen [<mailto:Matt.Christensen@mtstandard.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2014 2:04 PM
To: Greene, Nikia
Subject: guest column

Hey, Nikia.

Here's the column from John Ray we were talking about. To recap: I'm inviting you to respond with your own piece for a point/counterpoint on our Opinion page.

Let me know.

Matt Christensen

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From: Hopkins, Tracy
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 7:57 AM
To: Lausch, Robert; Jeng, Richard; Ammon, Doug; Cooper, DavidE
Cc: Vranka, Joe
Subject: Butte Cleanup, another opinion piece in the Montana Standard

http://mtstandard.com/news/opinion/be-aware-of-cleanup-failings/article_85f5bc08-a599-11e3-a41d-001a4bcf887a.html

FYI everyone. Article appeared on 3/7.

For Joe Vranka – Any feedback from Region 8?